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BRITISH ASSOCIATION, 1865.

THIRTY-FIFTH *Meeting of the* BRITISH ASSOCIATION *for the Advancement of Science, held at* BIRMINGHAM, *6th — 13th September*, 1865.

Section F.—*Economic Science and Statistics.*

President.—THE RIGHT HON. LORD STANLEY, M.P., F.R.S.

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The following Papers occupied the attention of the Section:—

Thursday, 7th September, 1865.

The President's Opening Address.

Thomas Avery.—On the Municipal Expenditure of the Borough of Birmingham.

W. L. Sargant.—On the Vital Statistics of Birmingham.

Reports on Local Industries (First Group):

George Heaton.—Die Sinking.

J. P. Turner.—Button Manufacture.

W. Bridges Adams.—On the Division of Labour.

Friday, 8th September, 1865.

Reports on Local Industries (Second Group):

J. S. Wright.—Jewellery and Gilt Toys.

Dr. Lloyd.—Flint Glass.

Professor Leone Levi.—Statistical Data in Relation to the Representation of the People.

G. J. Johnson.—Statistics of the Benefit Building and Freehold Land Societies of Birmingham.

Saturday, 9th September, 1865.

The Section did not meet to-day.

Monday, 11*th September*, 1865.

David Morris. — On the Past and Present Productive Power of Cotton Machinery.

Mr. Edward Vivian, M.A.—On the Admission of Illegitimate Children into Workhouses, as a means of preventing Infanticide.

Professor J. E. T. Rogers.—On Patents and Copyright.

Tuesday, 12*th September*, 1865.

Report of the Committee appointed to consider the Question of Uniformity of Weights and Measures.

F. P. Fellowes.—On the Practical Advantages of the Metric System of Weights and Measures.

James Yates.—On Mural Standards for Exhibiting the Measures of Lengths legalized in the United Kingdom.

Alfred Hill.—Statistics of the Post Office Savings Bank.

T. de Meschin, LL.D.—On the proposed Extension of Government Administration to Railways.

J. Thackray Bunce.—Statistics of Crime in Birmingham, as compared with other Large Towns.

Reports on Local Industries:—Papier Mâché; Steel Wire; Steel Pens; Crown and Sheet Glass; Brassfounding; Lighthouse Lamps and Reflectors; Iron Manufacture of Staffordshire Stained Glass.

Wednesday, 13*th September*, 1865.

J. D. Goodman.—Statistics of the Small Arms Manufacture of Birmingham.

Rev. J. W. Bain.—The Social, Moral, and Educational Status of the Population of South Staffordshire.

Professor Bennett.—Statistics of Pneumonia.

G. B. Galloway.—Suggested Improvements applicable to the City of London and other Large Towns, to Improve Health and preserve Life.

G. B. Galloway.—Means of Saving Life from Buildings which may be on Fire.

G. B. Galloway.—Inter-communication between Railway Passengers.

J. T. Arlidge, M.B.—On the Duration of Life, the Prevailing Diseases, and the Causes of Death, of Potters.

Robert Wilkinson.—A Statistical Review of the Police-recognised Drunkenness of the Metropolis.

Henry C. Roper.—The Physical and Geographical Features of the Country Ten Miles round Dudley, with Remarks upon the Natural Drainage Area as they bear upon the Sanitary Condition of the District.